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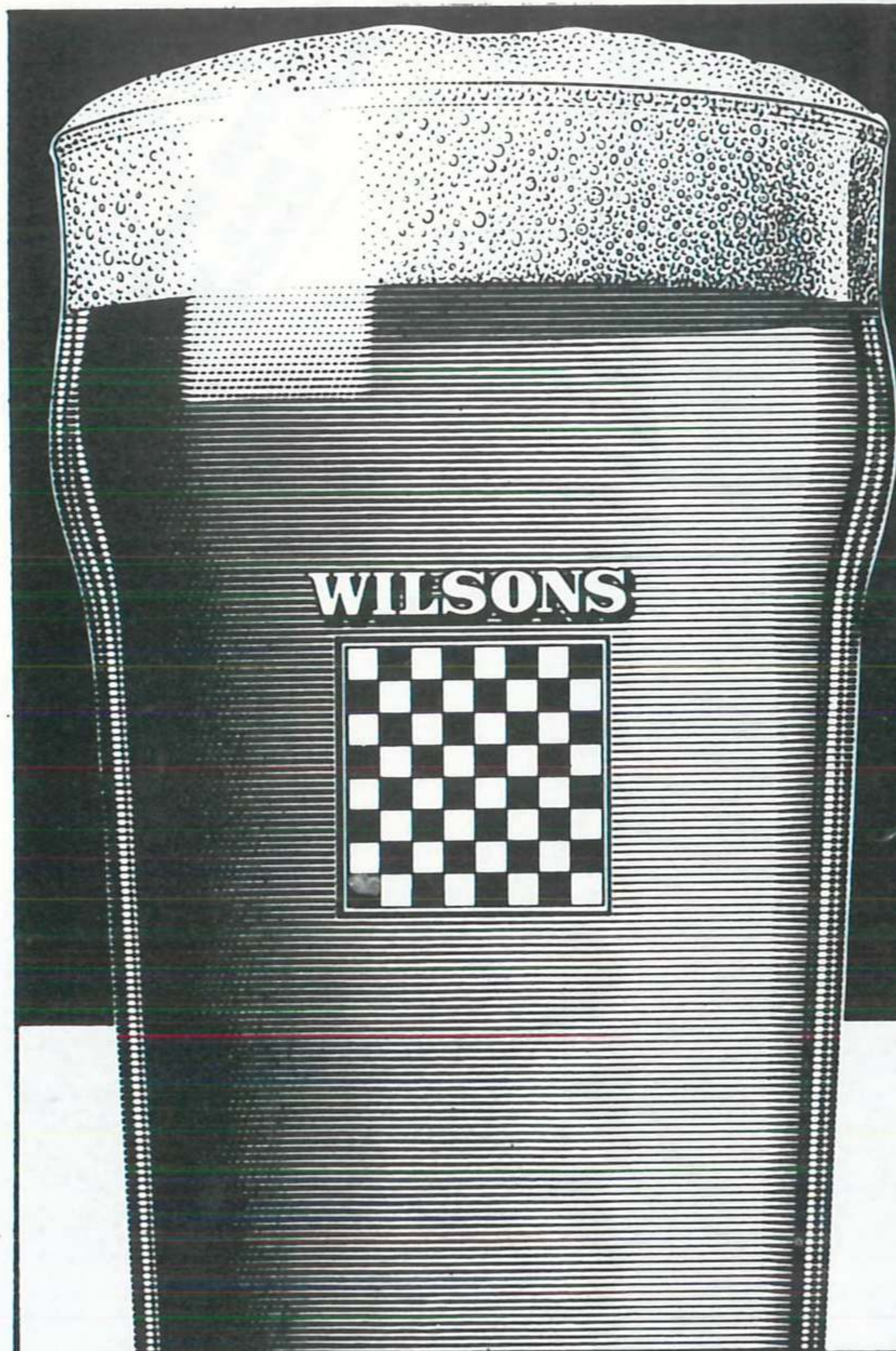


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John McGovern

WELCOMING Exeter City for this afternoon's game presents me with another opportunity to tangle with an old foe in Gerry Francis who I've had quite a few tussles with in the past.

I'm looking forward to matching our performance at Orient in our last League match — a game which in my eyes was our best away performance of the season, although the result was an obvious disappointment.

At Orient we created more openings than in any previous away match this season and Neil Whatmore's return today, I hope, will provide us with a converter who can make the most of those chances when they crop up.

I hope Neil's temporary stay with us can be made into a permanent one and that's the reason I have launched an appeal for donations in order that I can go back to Oxford's manager Jim Smith with a bid to retain his services.

This appeal is a genuinely honest one and if people appreciate the talent that Neil has then I feel sure we can raise enough money to at least give me the chance to pick up the phone and talk business with Jim Smith.

It is no reflection on any of the strikers here at this club that I'm trying to sign Neil. But I simply regard him as a quality player, as did Birmingham City who paid £340,000 for him two years ago. Although the transfer market has gone sour in recent years, I know Neil's talent has not declined to the same extent.



Our match at Exeter was an exciting affair where we squandered a two-goal lead and I know that Gerry will have his team prepared to fight as hard today as they did then to take a point from us in that encounter.

Let's hope today's proves as entertaining a game as the one at St. James's Park.

FRONT COVER: It looks a simple tap in but it was just the finishing touch of a sensational second goal for Tony Caldwell in the Port Vale game.

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EXETER CITY

EXETER BATTLE AGAINST RELEGATION

By Tony Pullein

Though 1984 opened with a bang for Exeter — they defeated high-riding Oxford United by 2-1 at St. James's Park — they then endured a run of nine games without a win. And that left them stranded at the foot of the table.

So we can expect a determined fight from Gerry Francis's team as they try to end a run of 12 away games without a win this afternoon. One of their defeats was suffered at Alliance League Maidstone United (1-2) in the first round of the F.A. Cup.

Exeter have won two away games in the League — at Bradford City (3-1) and Southend (3-0) and they have drawn at Wigan (1-1), Orient (2-2), Sheffield United (2-2), Plymouth (2-2) and Port Vale (2-2).

All their other away trips ended in defeat at Scunthorpe (1-3), Bristol Rovers (0-2), Gillingham (1-3), Preston (1-2), Bournemouth (1-3), Walsall (1-4), Wimbledon (0-4) and Newport (0-1).

Their Milk Cup hopes came to a sudden end when they were beaten in both legs of the first round by Cardiff City, 2-3 at home and 1-2 at Ninian Park.

It has been a worrying first season in management for former England captain Gerry Francis. With little cash available for team-strengthening, he has had to rely upon, to a great degree, players loaned from rivals clubs and those who have become available for transfer at modest fees.

So far he has used 26 players in search for a winning combination.

The Exeter club was founded at St. Sidwell's Old Boys F.C. in 1904, turned professional and adopted its present title four years later when they were admitted to the Southern League. In 1920 they were among the clubs taken over en bloc to form the new Third Division (South) of the Football League.

Exeter found things tough at first, hovering around the bottom of the table for the first four seasons. In 1922 they were forced to apply for re-election on goal average and, though there were fears that they might be replaced by ambitious Welsh club Pontypridd, they held their place.

They had to make another re-election plea in 1929 but, after that, things began to improve. In 1930/31 they became one of the Third Division's earliest giant-killers with a fantastic F.A. Cup run that included victories over two First Division sides.

Indeed, they were included in the draw for the semi-final after drawing with Sunderland. But they lost the replay.

Life returned to normal after that. Over the years they had to endure several further applications for re-election — in 1936, 1937, 1952 and 1958 in the Third Division and 1961 in the Fourth.

In 1958 they became a founder member of the Fourth Division and it took them six years to win their way back into Division Three. But they remained for only two seasons and it was beginning to look as if they would find their level as a regular member of the Fourth Division.

Indeed, they remained in the lower division for 11 years before moving back into Division Three in 1977.

Season 1980/81 was another notable one for Exeter as they equalled the club record by progressing to the sixth round of the F.A. Cup. In round four they drew 1-1 away to First Division Leicester City and then won the replay 3-1.

They then took on Second Division Newcastle, holding them to a 1-1 draw on their own ground — called St. James Park, as is Exeter's home. Exeter then crushed the Geordies by 4-0 in the replay.

Their magnificent run eventually ended at Tottenham where they lost 0-2 and Spurs went on to win the trophy.

There has not been a great deal to shout about since then and last season the Grecians narrowly missed relegation, finishing 19th — just one point clear.

LEN BOND (Goalkeeper). Len began his League career with Bristol City in 1971 and first played for Exeter, whilst on loan, in 1974/75. He completed further loan spells with Cardiff, Torquay, Scunthorpe and Colchester before making a full transfer to Brentford in 1977. He joined Exeter in 1981.

NICK MARKER (Defender/Midfield). Nick is a local discovery who served his time as an Exeter apprentice. He got his first chance in their League eleven two seasons ago.

GRAEME KIRKUP (Defender). Graeme was still an apprentice when he made his first League appearance for Exeter two seasons ago. This season he has settled down in the right-back position.



Back Row: Martyn Rogers, Ray Pratt, Nick Marker, Graeme Kirkup, Frank Howarth, Tony Kellow (now Plymouth Argyle).
Middle Row: Martin Ling, Darren Clifford, Symon Burgher, Len Bond, Leon Smith, Michael Lane, Adrian Robson, Malcolm Musgrove (Chief Coach).
Front Row: Dick Forbes (now Plymouth Argyle), Tony Dennis (now Bideford), Dave Harle (now Doncaster Rovers), Gerry Francis (Player-Manager), Keith Viney, Peter Rogers, Steve Neville.

FRANK HOWARTH (Defender/Midfield). Another product of the Exeter youth scheme, Frank also served his apprenticeship at St. James's Park. He made his first League appearances two seasons ago.

MARK O'CONNOR (Defender). Mark joined Exeter on loan from Q.P.R. in October. Though he made his League debut for Q.P.R. against Chelsea on Boxing Day 1981, Mark got only occasional subsequent chances in their senior side.

SIMON WEBSTER (Defender). Simon completed his apprenticeship with Tottenham and made a couple of appearances in their First Division side last season. He signed for Exeter on loan in November.

KEITH VINEY (Defender). Keith learned his game with Portsmouth, made his League debut in 1975/76 and completed more than 150 League games for the club before transferring to Exeter in 1982 close-season.

HUGH ATKINSON (Midfield). Another player who joined Exeter on loan this season, Hugh is a former Wolves apprentice who made some 50 appearances in their First Division side. He has been capped by the Republic of Ireland Under-21s.

GERRY FRANCIS (Midfield). Gerry, the former England captain, is now Exeter's player-manager. Gerry won 12 England caps during his Q.P.R. days when he was struck by an injury that ended his international career. He was transferred to Crystal Palace for £465,000 in 1979 but almost two years

later he returned to Q.P.R. for £150,000. Coventry paid a similar fee to sign him in 1982 and he joined Exeter last summer.

MARTIN LING (Midfield). Martin made a brief appearance as substitute, whilst still an apprentice, last season and this term he has become a fairly regular member of the side.

STEVE NEVILLE (Forward). Steve made a few first-team appearances for Southampton but it was after his transfer to Exeter in 1978 that he really established himself in League football. He was sold to Sheffield United for £80,000 in 1980 but he returned to Exeter last season, initially on loan.

RAY PRATT (Forward). Ray is Exeter's leading scorer with 12 goals. He was signed from Merthyr for £10,000 in 1980 and has been a regular member of the first team for almost three years.

PETER ROGERS (Forward). Peter was signed from Bath City and has been a member of the Exeter side almost continuously since his debut five seasons ago. He has scored six times this season.

JOHN SIMS (Forward). John last month joined Exeter for the second time, after five years at Plymouth. His League career started as a Derby player in 1972/73 and during his early days at the Baseball Ground he was loaned to Luton, Oxford and Colchester. A full transfer took him to Notts County in 1976 and it was two years later that he first signed for Exeter. He moved to Plymouth in 1979 and two seasons ago was Argyle's leading scorer with 18 goals.

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Previous Encounters

A warm welcome to the Grecians on their first ever visit for a Football League game to Burnden Park.

Whilst the clubs have never faced each other at League level before this season our connections go way back into the 1920s through the transfers of Dick Pym and Harold Blackmore from City to the Wanderers. Exeter also recruited several Bolton players notably Jimmy Rigby who had a long career with City before retiring through injury in 1923 and Jack Feeby who played for the Wanderers before the first World War and with Exeter in 1920/21.

Bolton visited Exeter in September 1922 for a friendly game and ran out 2-0 winners. The Wanderers were then in the First Division and were to win the first Wembley F.A. Cup final that season whilst City were in the Third Division.

Before a 5,000 crowd that saw a scoreless first half with Dick Pym in the Wanderers' goal preventing his former clubmates from opening their account. Bolton were awarded a penalty early in the second half Jack's effort however, was saved by City 'keeper Fryer. Flood opened the scoring for Bolton with a fine angled shot and centre forward Roberts netted the second a minute from the end with a shot from the edge of the penalty area. The two teams in this first ever meeting were:

Exeter: Fryer, Pollard, Ackroyd, Crompton, Southway, Clarke, Matthews, Vowles, Crockford, Mathieson, Dockray.

Bolton: Pym, Howarth, Thirkell, Rowley, Seddon, Nuttall, Buchan, Jack, Roberts, Flood, Vizard.

More recently in October 1978 we were drawn together in the third round of the League Cup. Third Division Exeter caused something of a shock defeating their First Division opponents by 2-1. City took the lead after 17 minutes through John Delve but the Wanderers equalised after 50 minutes when Alan Gowling shot home.

Exeter's winner came in the 68th minute when Tony Kellow converted a disputed penalty awarded when David Burke collided with John Delve.

The defeat wasn't the only black spot of the night for the Wanderers as Neil Whatmore was sent off in the 68th minute for retaliation.

There was another hotly disputed penalty in our only League meeting which took place at St James's Park last October. The Wanderers were leading by two goals from Tony Caldwell and with only seven minutes left the referee awarded a penalty for handball against Warren Joyce when it appeared to hit his chest. Stan McEwan converted the kick for City's first goal in five home League games. Two minutes from time McEwan grabbed his second goal when he curled a free kick round the Wanderers' wall to win a point before a crowd of 3,478 that saw seven players booked.

Flashback

15 years ago 4th March 1969. Bolton's slump continued with a 3-0 defeat at Huddersfield Town. Hulme, Rimmer and Phillips were all recalled whilst Garry Jones made his Wanderers' debut.

7th March 1969. The Wanderers visited Bury and went down 2-1 with Gareth Williams who was later to join Bury netting the Wanderers' goal.

15th March 1969. Bolton registered their first League win since 7th December by defeating Fulham 3-2 at Burnden Park. The Wanderers were set on their way with a Conway own goal before Warwick Rimmer and Gordon Taylor finally won the points.

New signing John Manning made his Wanderers' debut.

22nd March 1969. Goals from Freddie Hill and Ron Phillips were the only highlights for Bolton as they crashed 5-2 at Sheffield United. Another Wanderers' youngster made his debut, full back Paul Hallows.

10 years ago 2nd March 1974. An unchanged Bolton side won 2-0 at Blackpool. Garry Jones opened the scoring in the ninth minute and John Ritson notched the other with a 25 yard piledriver after 56 minutes. The win hoisted the Wanderers to 12th position in the Second Division.

9th March 1974. Bolton's 10 League games unbeaten spell looked doomed as they trailed 1-0 at home to West Brom. Tony Brown having put them in front after three minutes. Ten minutes from time John Byrom netted his 21st goal of the season to extend the run and earn Bolton a point.

16th March 1974. Bolton's run ended with a 2-1 defeat at Millwall. Alf Wood and Derek Smethurst gave the Londoners the lead before John Byrom pulled one back after 70 minutes.

23rd March 1974. Alan Waldron came back into the side for the injured Tony Dunne in a 1-0 victory over Luton Town at Burnden. Roy Greaves scored the winner eight minutes from time to defeat the second placed Luton side.

5 years ago 7th March 1979. The Wanderers went down 3-0 at Aston Villa with their goals coming from Andy Gray, Ken Swain and a Paul Jones own goal. Keeper Jim McDonagh produced a number of class saves to keep the score respectable.

17th March 1979. Sam Allardyce returned to the side in a 2-2 draw at Coventry City. In muddy conditions Ian Wallace had given the home side the lead before Frank Worthington equalised with his 17th goal of the season. Neil McNab put Bolton in front but three minutes from half time Barry Powell converted a penalty at the second attempt after Roy Greaves had felled Tommy Hutchinson.

21st March 1979. The Wanderers played their fourth consecutive away game going down 3-0 at Derby County before their lowest gate for 11 years.

Milestones

The game at Orient saw Jeff Chandler not only notching his second spectacular goal in as many games but his 100th Football League game for the Wanderers. Jeff is having his best season as far as goalscoring is concerned since his arrival from Leeds in October 1981. His League record with Bolton reads 100 appearances, three substitute appearances and 17 goals.

Jimmy Phillips made his Wanderers' first team debut in the 3-1 friendly defeat at Hamilton Academicals. Whilst it was a poor Wanderers'

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performance in comparison with the one at Orient three days earlier, the hospitality of the Hamilton club to the visiting supporters was second to none.

Youth Team News

Lancashire Youth Cup Semi Final
20th February 1984

Bolton Wanderers Youth 1 Oldham Athletic Youth 1
Bolton won 4-1 on penalties

The Wanderers Youth Team qualified for the final of the Lancashire Youth Cup against Manchester City by keeping their cool in a penalty play off.

Oldham, who included former Wanderer Andy Hodgkinson in their side opened well with Lyons forcing Wanderers' 'keeper Keith Mooney to produce a good save.

The Wanderers gradually got on top and John Gautrey was only inches over the bar with a shot from the edge of the area.

In the 38th minute Dean Roberts produced a brilliant overhead kick to put the Wanderers in front with Gorton in the Oldham goal only able to watch the ball float into the top corner of the net.

The second half started with the conditions getting worse, a driving wind, snow and hail preventing any skilful football.

Oldham equalised only three minutes into the half when Taylor headed home after Lyons had sliced his kick in front of goal.

The second half continued with Bolton having the upper hand with the best chance falling to Roger Walker who found himself clear but his shot went straight into the 'keeper's arms.

During the extra time period Dean Roberts had a couple of chances, a shot from a Paul Crooks cross that went inches wide and a narrow miss with the last kick of the game.

Paul Crooks, Paul Booth, Dean Roberts and Jimmy Phillips all converted their spot kicks whilst McCrae and Harrison netted for Oldham with Healey and Collins missing their side's first and fourth efforts.

Whilst it was a pity that a result must be decided by penalty kicks justice was done in that the Wanderers had shown their superiority in the 120 minutes of normal time.

Team: Mooney, Howard, Phillips, Davies, Bolton, Booth, Walker, Crooks, Roberts, Darby, Gautrey. Subs: Jakeman for Walker, Watson for Darby.

Reserve Report

22nd February 1984

Blackburn Rovers Reserves 1 Bolton Wanderers Reserves 2

The Wanderers reserves registered their second away win of the season to hoist themselves off the bottom of the Central League.

The first half was a dour affair with Bolton's best chance falling to Paul Davies whose shot was well saved by Rovers' 'keeper Vince O'Keefe.

The second half was only a minute old when Bolton took the lead with Dean Roberts evading two tackles before setting up Simon Rudge to shoot home.

In the 63rd minute Rudge netted Bolton's second goal when he stooped to head home a Neil Berry cross with O'Keefe's grasp not being strong enough to prevent the ball crossing the line.

Peter Devine pulled a goal back for Rovers after 76 minutes with a volley from a Mark Patterson corner and it was Devine that was denied an equaliser for Rovers minutes from time by a tremendous save from Alan Zelem in the Wanderers' goal.

Team: Zelem, Berry, Snookes, McGovern, S. Darby, Phillips, Davies, Roberts, Rudge, Redfearn, Oghani. Sub: Crooks.

Half Marathon

Entry forms are available in the office for the Wanderers' half marathon to be held on 29th April from Burnden Park. All standards of runners will be taking part and training is held every Monday evening from Burnden commencing at 7.30 pm.

Junior Whites News

Today's mascot is Wendy Goodridge who was 15 years old on 12th March. Wendy attends George Tomlinson Secondary School in Kearsley and enjoys playing netball. She recently won a public speaking competition at school when she chose the history of Bolton Wanderers as her subject. Her favourite player is Jeff Chandler.





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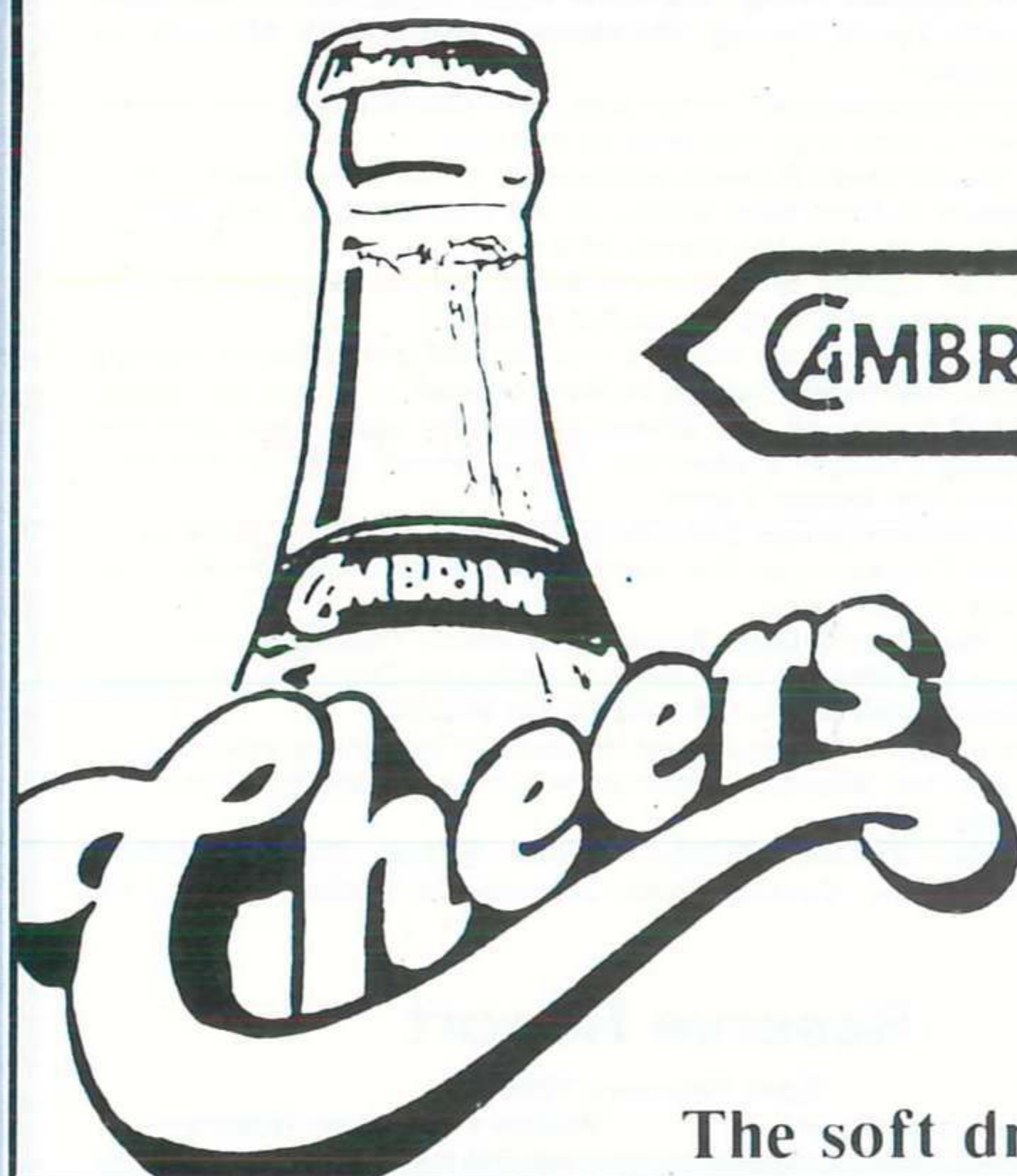
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By Colin Benson

For as long as I can remember every season has been previewed with alarming stories of clubs in debt, dropping TV ratings and dwindling gates. Just at that moment when optimism and excitement should be generated the media seem to delight on emphasising that our game is dying on its feet.

We are reminded of the days when 75,000 crammed into the Valley — that amphitheatre which is Charlton Athletic's home ground — for one game, while last season they pulled in just over twice that many people over the whole League campaign.

It is true of course that attendances have shrunk alarmingly from those unreal years just after the Second World War when they peaked at 41 million. As you know last season the total aggregate attendance for the Football League was just under 19 million and that is a lot of people to lose, but in comparison with other forms of live entertainment such as the cinema, theatre and even bingo, soccer has more than held its own.

It was inevitable that once civilisation had picked up the pieces following the holocaust that the pattern would change, and as prosperity grew and society became more affluent so the social structure altered.

Today the British public have a whole host of alternatives in which to plough their money and enthusiasm and it is estimated that as much as one third of our lives is now devoted to leisure.

It is now a major factor in the national economy and it is estimated that some £36,000 million a year — almost 22 per cent of our consumer spending — is spent on leisure pursuits.

Inevitably then the activity which had the biggest slice of the cake is going to lose the biggest slice

of followers, but even though soccer has seen its following diminish through the turnstiles there has been a marked increase in the numbers of people participating in the game, which indicates that there is still a healthy interest.

Crystal Palace chairman Ron Noades is not one for beating about the bush and he puts the statistical paraphernalia into perspective when he claims: "Something like 400,000 a week watch League football, and that is worth £20 million a year.

"It is all very well moaning about how many fans we have lost, but look at it as a percentage. Gates have dropped something like 3% a year which is a marvellous figure.

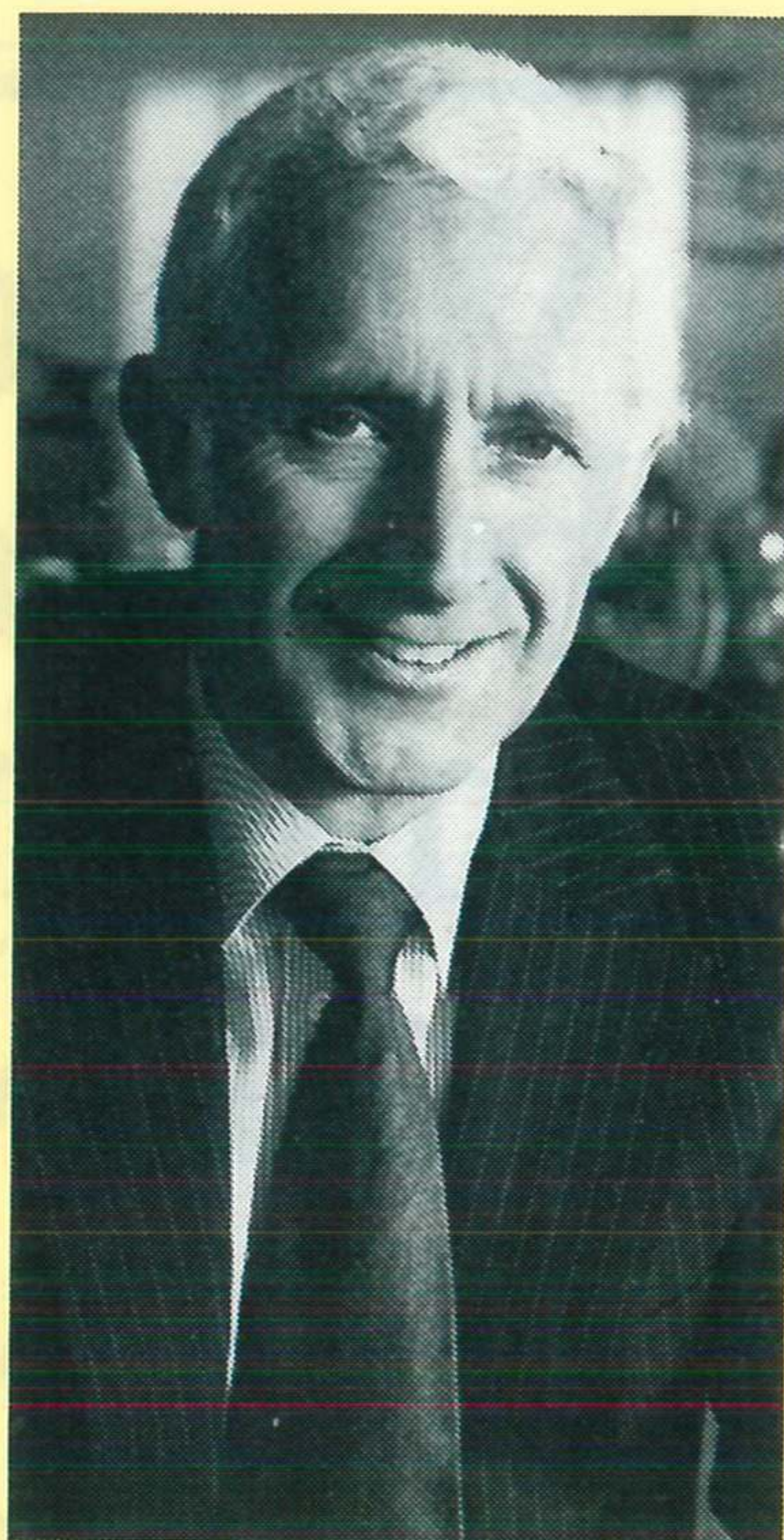
"We should be boasting about the fact that 400,000 people watch football on a Saturday instead of complaining that the gates are down on last year.

"There is nothing wrong with the drop in gates we have experienced since the fifties. When taken in context with other leisure industries, football has weathered the depression well.

"The trouble is that through the attitude of the national press we have generated a loss of confidence in the product and that is what we as an industry must restore."

Already this season there are positive signs of the game stabilising its position. More fans watched Canon League matches up to the end of December this season than they did in the corresponding period last season. The aggregate was 9,473,449, an increase of 68,418.

Not earth shattering agreed but the average crowd at 996 League matches from last August to the end of December was 9,511, compared with 9,593 from 970 matches over the same period last season, a shortfall of a mere 0.9 per cent.



"I think it is a remarkable achievement," exclaims Graham Kelly, Secretary of the Football League. "It certainly reflects the excitement as well as the quality of this season's divisional championships.

"The First Division has proved anything but a one-horse race as it had threatened to become at the turn of the year last season.

"There have been some huge crowds at Second Division matches involving Sheffield Wednesday, Chelsea, Manchester City and Newcastle United throughout the season. But what looked like developing into a promotion battle between four clubs then enveloped almost the top half of the table.

"There was a similar situation in the Third Division, and in the Fourth only York City threatened to outstrip their rivals."

No one is resting on their laurels, though there is still a long way to go, but there is no doubt that football is still entrenched as Britain's national game, it is woven into the fabric of our lives.

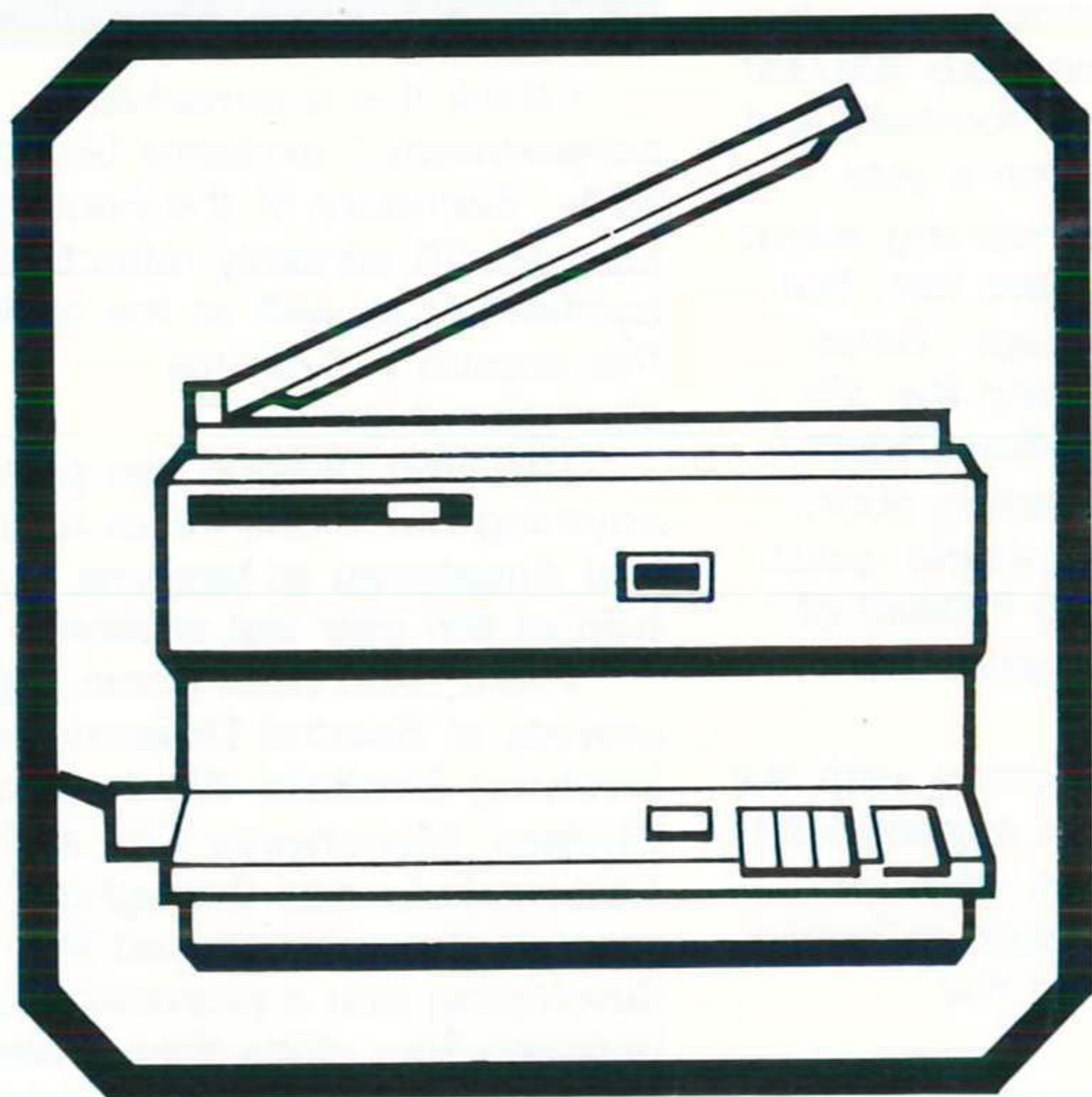
Divisional figures, from August until the end of December:

	Aggregate	Matches	Average per Match
Div. 1	4,572,676	231	19,795
Div. 2	2,835,838	243	11,670
Div. 3	1,301,654	260	5,006
Div. 4	763,281	262	2,913
Total:	9,473,449	996	9,511

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Who is going to come second in the First Division championship race? I don't know and I don't care. I am much more interested in who is prepared to challenge Liverpool for the title and at the moment there is not even a confident runner.

Liverpool have been put on a pedestal by all their rivals and the only person who seems to be worried about the final outcome is their 62-year-old "new" boss Joe Fagan. He just cannot afford to fail after following Bob Paisley and Bill Shankly.

Manchester United manager Ron Atkinson publicly rebuked his players after their sensational F.A. Cup defeat at Bournemouth and stated that his team now have a duty to their fans and must go all out for the title.

A couple of weeks later he expressed doubts whether Liverpool could be caught. That hardly rings of confidence. Big Ron had better get his act together because United fans cannot tolerate failure — and dismissals in the Milk Cup and F.A. Cup by Third Division opposition will hardly enhance the Atkinson image if The Reds fail again in the championship.

Southampton cannot win the title according to manager Lawrie McMenemy. He claims that his club does not have the resources to challenge the major First Division powers. It all has the stench of fear.

"We cannot go out and buy the best players like Liverpool, United, Spurs and Arsenal," he stresses. But Southampton have splashed out heavily in the past on "unknowns" like Peter Shilton and David Armstrong and have one of the most experienced squads in the First Division.

Forest supremo Brian Clough is equally adept at dodging the issue and has bitterly complained in the past about the lack of support and resources at his "little" club.

Enthusiastic bubbles

The crafty Clough already has two championships under his belt and can afford to play it cool as his team continue to thrive and duck and dive among the leaders. Again he emphasises the lack of financial resources after assembling a side that is brimming with bright talent.

Clough, who has quite enough to say on England in the media, seems to go into a deep freeze on match days when it comes to summing up his team, the opposition or domestic issues.

It may all be good psychology but it only serves to boost the Liverpool legend of invincibility. Where are the bold brigades with the same Spartan strain as Liverpool? Not in England, that's for sure.

West Ham, a team of rare flair, have been hard hit by injuries to key players like Alvin Martin, Alan Devonshire and battling Billy Bonds, but at least manager John Lyall does not have me crying in my beer about resources.

"We have worked hard to keep up with the leaders and don't want to relax now," says Lyall. "There is no sense in sitting back and moaning. I have told my players that we must battle on and they have responded magnificently."

Well, if not stirring Bill Shankly rhetoric, at least Lyall is not copping out completely. There are still a few bubble of enthusiasm in the East End.

Not quite so many in the West End where Q.P.R. have now joined the contenders but feel they are in fast company according to Terry Venables, their astute manager.

"We are doing very well on our return to the First Division but have dropped a lot of vital points," he sums up. "We shall be quite happy to settle for a place in Europe."

Roasted by Coventry

It seems I have heard the same speech before. Watford muttered the same sentiments last season when they were mowing down the opposition with their "up and under" tactics.

Yet are Liverpool so impregnable? Were they not whipped at Coventry by a collection of liquorice all-sorts? Did not Joe Fagan request a whisky at Highfield Road after seeing his team roasted by a pint-sized terror named Terry Gibson, a Tottenham reject who had Bruce Grobbelaar groping for cover?

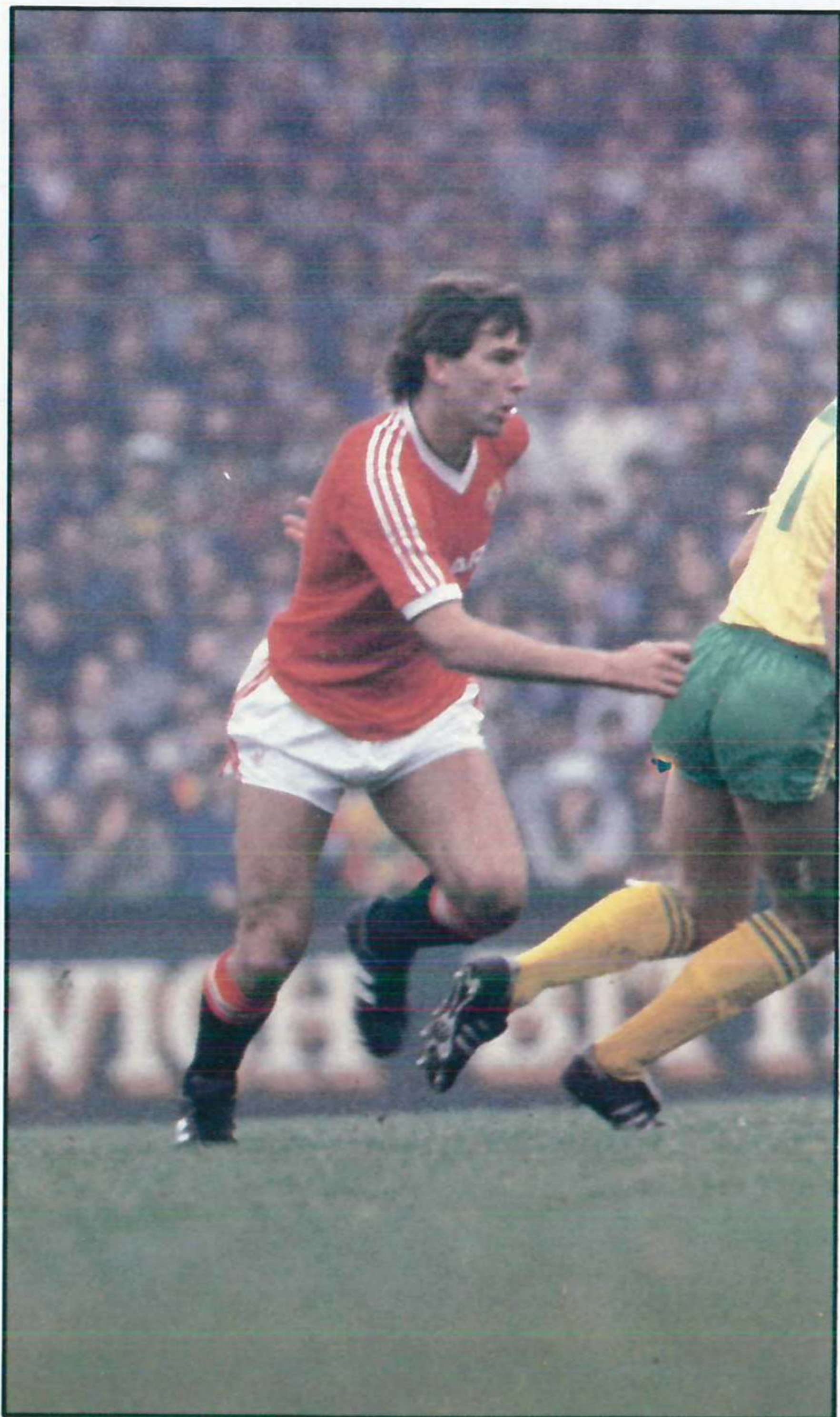
Gibson grabbed a hat-trick and expressed the opinion that he was not too impressed by Liverpool's defence.

Is it not time that some of our bright, brave, well-paid bulldog breed of managers exhibited the same audacity and stopped running for the trenches when Liverpool pop up in conversation.

Otherwise they might as well put a monkey in charge at Anfield and we can all dance to the same tune.

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Bryan Robson — can he drive United to a championship title?



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ENGLAND'S YOUNG ONES...

TOMMY CATON

Who will feature in Bobby Robson's plans for the next World Cup series? Well in the forefront of England's future are the lads who have represented their country at Under-21 level. Colin Benson has been looking at the candidates and today features a young defender who has recently captained the side, Tommy Caton.



The first thing that strikes you about Tommy Caton, apart from his solid 6ft 2in frame, and curly hair, is his confidence in his own ability.

He is one of those players who seems to have been around for a long time yet incredibly he was only 21 last October.

Tommy started his career with Manchester City and spent five years at Maine Road before realising a dream and joining the one club he had always wanted to play for, Arsenal, last November.

It was inevitable that he would eventually move to Highbury for young Tommy Caton has planned his career carefully. Although born and bred in Liverpool and an admitted Liverpool supporter, he chose to join Manchester City as a schoolboy, in preference to the Merseyside clubs, "because the chances from my point of view of getting into the first team were a lot better at Maine Road."

He explains: "At the time City had only three centrehalves in the club and they were all over 30; Tommy Booth, Mike Doyle and Dave Watson. So there was a reserve place for me straight away and I was just lucky enough at the time to push on in to the first team myself."

Relegation to the Second Division last May was a great disappointment and one of the factors which made him think about moving.

PLAY AT THE TOP

"I loved every minute with City," he enthuses but having spent the last three seasons in the England Under-21 squad Tommy was conscious of the fact that this is his last term at that level unless called up as one of the two over age players permitted by the rules.

"Hopefully I will go up a grade and reach the top next season," he smiles, "but a lot depends on how your club side are performing. If the team are playing well in the League then you are playing well and this helps in international selection.

"I rated Manchester City as one of the biggest clubs in the country and I have had no doubts all season that they will win promotion back to Division One

this year but you can't help wondering whether playing in the Second Division will affect your international status, even if it is only for a season and so the move to Arsenal was a good one all round for me.

"The skill factor is not as high in the Second Division although the game tends to be quicker in as much as there is a lot more bustling and players put you under pressure quicker.

"The under-21 games are a lot slower than at club level, First Division and Second Division, but your options are far fewer when you actually have the ball.

"From a defenders point of view they tend to drop off and let you have the ball at the back, picking up the midfield and front players which reduces your options to make a pass.

"I enjoy being with England. It is always good to get away from the club for a week, meet different lads, different training schedules and methods. When you get home on the Thursday you are hungry to play again."

COMPETITIVE

Tommy has always been a big lad and has played at fullback or in the centre of the defence since first participating in organised football at school on Merseyside. He is a natural athlete and very competitive.

He has achieved a lot in a very short time — playing well over 180 senior games for Manchester City — yet still has the desire and ambition to improve his performance.

"Everybody has to work at their game," he says. "Even if you are the best in the world you can always improve on it. After training I always work on what I think are my weak points and I am prepared to put in extra stints in the afternoon."

That sort of dedication will be to his credit. Strong in the air, brave and hard in the tackle Tommy is at his best when in the centre of the defence where his lack of pace is not so exposed.

He is also pretty useful at dead ball kicks and scored a few goals for Manchester City from set-pieces. Tommy is certainly one of the contenders for Mexico 1986.

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ONLY THE GIFTED ARE CLOBBERED

The Potteries side had long been searching for a magnetic personality who could capture the fans' imagination and Alan fulfilled that role admirably but after three years at the Victoria Ground, he was sold to Arsenal . . . The fee was again £250,000.

Things did not go well for him at Highbury and after a lot of traumas the Gunners cancelled his contract in October 1978, after just 36 games, and Alan joined Seattle Sounders for £100,000.

His attitude and work rate were continually called into question and the suggestion that he was lazy on the field is something which particularly hurts him.

Alan retorts: "That is one of my strengths and in fact after I had played for England in an Under-23 match in 1972, Alf Ramsey told me that I had worked too hard."

Alas his opportunity to display his silky skills on the big international stage was limited to just two appearances in 1975, against West Germany and Cyprus.

Disenchanted by the whole thing Alan says: "Since Sir Alf Ramsey won the World Cup in 1966 I don't think England have looked for world class players. The emphasis has been on fielding a team which can go out and compete."

"When you look at the current team and see that we have only one world class player — Peter Shilton — it is

frightening. That just about sums up the game, because every other international side in the world has brilliant midfield players or brilliant front players and that includes the smaller nations.

FALL GUY

"Yet we struggle to pick a world class player in these positions and they have been about, make no mistake.

"People like Rodney Marsh, Peter Osgood and Stan Bowles. But they all had bad reputations and because they did not run and chase everything they were discarded irrespective of the skill they possessed.

"I'm sure it was because they were a little bit special that they got the bad reputations. I don't know whether it is jealousy or what but they took criticism which they did not deserve and I can't understand that.

"The average players on the field who just run about for 90 minutes don't come under the hammer it is those players with special gifts who get clobbered every time.

"At this present time it is Glenn Hoddle who is the fall guy. They keep putting him through a test when he shouldn't be in that position. Glenn should have been made captain of England a long time ago, he would have been a great example for the kids to follow.

"I was in that category before, Tony Currie was the same and there have always been midfield players around who could do it for England if they were only given the chance."

Back in the colours of Stoke City Alan himself has shown that his four year stint in the NASL has not blunted his appetite for the game or his skills. Against Arsenal and West Ham United in his first two games of this season (Jan/Feb) he showed all his commanding attributes.

The precision pass, the ability to hold the ball and his generalship were all in evidence. He looked lean and fit and supported the ball with youthful exuberance . . . It seems such a pity that all this flamboyant brilliance was not allowed to flourish in English football. The loss has been as much ours as it has Alan Hudson's.

ALAN HUDSON, who won two England caps in the mid-seventies, made a welcome return to English football, not in the Second Division with Chelsea, the club he signed for last summer, but in the First Division with Stoke City, where he is on loan.

One of the most gifted players of his generation, he came to prominence as an outstanding teenage midfield player with Chelsea in 1969, playing alongside such talented names as Peter Osgood, John Hollins, Bobby Tambling and Ian Hutchinson.

He has been associated with some of England's finest clubs yet his career, dogged by injuries and personal problems, never quite fulfilled the promise it showed.

At 32, he admits that his playing career has come off the rails on numerous occasions but says "I wouldn't change any of it for the good times I have had in the game and wherever I have been I have always put one-hundred per cent into it."

Over the years Alan earned a bad reputation, a stigma he justly claims was unwarranted.

"I have always been a great trainer, and I say great because Micky Droy said to me in pre-season this year, 'I don't know how you do it'.

"You see when you live a life like I lead then you have to train harder than anybody else. I like to enjoy myself, but I do it at the right times, and I work hard at the right times.

"After a game I have to go to the pub to relax. If I don't I can't sleep, I just lay awake analysing the game again, so a couple of beers or so helps me unwind."

DISENCHANTED

Alan played 145 League games for Chelsea before the then fashionable Stoke City snapped him up for £250,000 in January 1974.

A MATTER OF PERSONAL PRIDE

At 32, John McGovern, one of the game's most respected players, found himself sitting in the managerial chair, when Bolton Wanderers appointed him as their player-manager in June 1982.

He faced an onerous task and as the ailing club slipped deeper in the mire last season, the Scot from Montrose experienced the bitter side of football as Wanderers tumbled out of the Second Division.

It was a hard pill to swallow for a man, who as a player, has achieved so much. He has won Football League Championship medals with Derby County and Nottingham Forest, the club he led to two European Cup Final victories in 1979 and 1980.

Behind all those successes was a man John describes as "the best manager in the game," Brian Clough. "And that is not only my assessment but that of public opinion," adds John.

"Brian Clough is certainly the best I have experienced and obviously the tips I have learned from him that I think are good ones I am going to put into practice myself."

So how much of the Brian Clough doctrine applies at Burnden Park these days? "People ask me if I am going to be another Brian Clough," says John, "but there is only one Brian Clough. All I want to do is an honest job and get an honest day's pay for it."

"If I manage to survive another four or five years as a manager then I will be satisfied that I have given the job a go. But as I say I am still a novice in the managerial stakes. I have actually lasted two years of my contract almost and what comes after that will obviously be based on the results we get between now and the end of the season, when the contract comes up for renewal."

Has he enjoyed his first experience as

the boss?

"Well last season when we were relegated and down at the bottom of the Second Division, and we had players who really did not have the desire to play, or the desire to win, and accepted losing week in week out, I found it very difficult indeed.

"I felt as though there was a weight on my shoulders, I felt as though there was a lot of pressure on me. But the chairman and the directors were very very good to me in those dark days. They realised how difficult a job it was for me and they told me that I'd be alright.

"The only thing that comes into it then is your own personal pride. I want to do well because of my own personal pride. I don't care whether I am being paid £50-a-week or £450-a-week, I want to do well.

"Any job I attempt I do to my best ability."

Those are the standards John sets himself and he expects those who work for him to be equally ambitious and determined to succeed.

"I want my players to be ambitious, I want them to do well but above all I want them to be honest . . . I don't like cheats," he says.

"Nobody like cheats. The public that come to watch you can even to a certain extent put up with a team whose results are not very good. But they will not stand for cheats, those players who do not give their all for the club they play for.

"Thankfully at the moment here at Bolton we have not got any and that means that we have a good chance to improve."

McGovern, a hard working industrious workhorse on the field, has now managed to turn the ship around and head back towards Division Two. He has done this without his own services on the pitch, following 14 months of perpetual injuries, but despite the fact that he was aching to play, he dropped himself after making his comeback at Walsall in January because he knew he could play better.

"I signed Graham Bell from Carlisle and he played and we won against Bristol Rovers (3-0) and at Southend United (1-0), so I was very satisfied with his performances and he kept his place," says John.

"I had one or two bad injuries which kept me out for 14 months but we have a very very young side and I thought it was about time I gave one or two of them a break, and it was time I accepted some of my responsibility and got back out there on the field.

"I think I am still fit enough to play at 34, but with the inclusion of Graham Bell, a player I have had my eye on for some time, we have looked a very competent side.

"It is very difficult combining management with playing anyway. The biggest problem for me is the actual concentration when you go out on the park to play.

"When you are a player the only thing you have to worry about is justifying your own position in the side, but when



you are a manager you have a million other things on your mind and in some of the games I played in when I first came to the club I found it was really hard to concentrate on just playing the game . . . And I don't think my performances lived up to my reputation."

John, who was signed by Brian Clough for Derby County from Hartlepool in 1968, has played most of his soccer in the top flight but he does not think that should have any bearing on his performances with Bolton in the Third Division.

He says: "Generally you have one preparation whether you are in the First Division or the Fourth Division. Your preparation is the same for every match although the actual game is a little more hectic — they give you a little less time — in the lower divisions.

"But I started my career in the Fourth Division with Hartlepool so I am not a complete stranger to it. That was a few years ago but I have been very fortunate that I have had a tremendous career and won a few trophies.

"Now I have to prove myself as a manager. We have a good young squad at Bolton and I can only see us getting better. It sounds like a bit of a cliché, but they are very young and they are still learning.

"If we do get better then it will be because of the hard work all the lads have put in."

John McGovern is not one to let his feet off the ground. After a brilliantly earned victory at Roots Hall he busied himself opening lemonade bottles without a bottle opener. There was plenty of fizz all round for the happy Bolton players, but the bubbly is shelved until they really complete the business and climb back to Division Two.

Bolton

A-Z

Part 21 — by Tony Pullein

MULHALL, George. George joined Bolton as assistant manager in March 1981 but took over as manager three months later. He remained in charge for only one season. As a player he had played for Scotland, Aberdeen and Sunderland and he had previously been manager of Halifax and Bradford City.

NUTTALL, Henry. Henry was a wing-half who adorned the Bolton side between the wars. He played in our F.A. Cup winning sides of 1923, 1926 and 1929 and he was capped by England on three occasions. He received a benefit and completed well over 300 first team appearances before retiring. He later joined the club's training staff, maintaining a family connection that went back to 1887 when his father, Jack, became the club's first trainer-groundsman.

Henry's League Record:

		Apps.	Gls.
BOLTON	1921/22	10	—
	1922/23	20	—
	1923/24	30	2
	1924/25	41	—
	1925/26	22	—
	1926/27	35	—
	1927/28	36	2
	1928/29	27	—
	1929/30	27	1
	1930/31	21	1
	1931/32	22	—
		291	6

PARRY, Ray. Ray was, at 15 years 207 days, the youngest player to appear in First Division football when he made his Bolton debut against Wolves 1951. An inside-forward, or winger, Ray played for England at schoolboy and youth levels before winning four Under-23 caps. He also played for the full England team on two occasions.

Ray was a member of our F.A. Cup final team of 1958 and made some 300 first team appearances before transferring to Blackpool for £25,000 in 1960. He later moved on to Bury where he became player-coach.

Ray's League record:

		Apps.	Gls.
BOLTON	1951/52	2	—
	1952/53	15	1
	1953/54	41	6
	1954/55	28	9
	1955/56	32	7
	1956/57	31	5
	1957/58	38	14
	1958/59	37	12
	1959/60	32	12
	1960/61	12	2
BLACKPOOL	1960/61	29	8
	1961/62	41	12
	1962/63	34	5
	1963/64	20	2
	1964/65	4	—
	1964/65	13	3
	1965/66	37	6
BURY	1966/67	35	2
	1967/68	16(4)	2
	1968/69	18(1)	2
	1969/70	11(1)	2
	1970/71	6(4)	—
	1971/72	1	—
		533(10)	112

PIKE'S LANE. Pike's Lane was the club's home ground from 1881 until 1895 when we moved to Burnden Park. Initially the annual rent was £35 but this increased to £175 and, with building development going on all round the ground, it was decided to move in 1895.

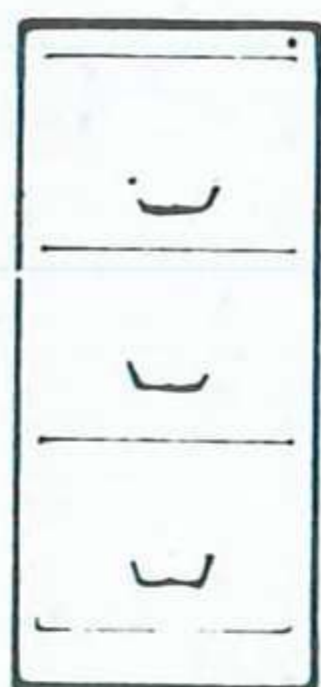
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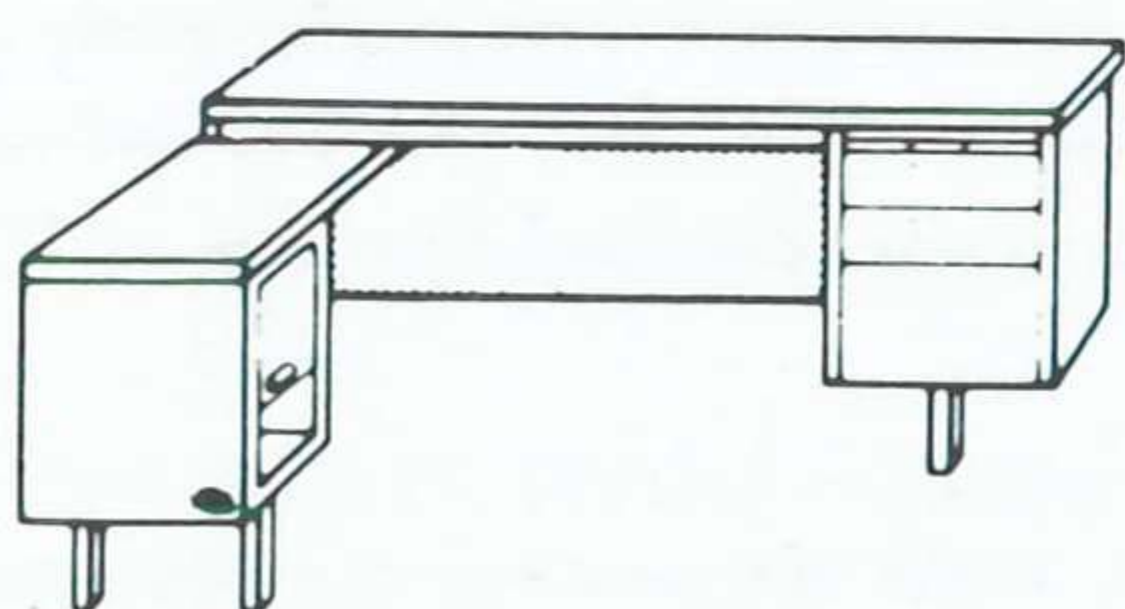
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Gerry McElhinney heads over the crossbar.

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Date Opponents

Date	Opponents	F.A.	Att.	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Redfean	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Joyce	Snookes
1983															
Aug.	27 Wimbledon	2-0	3,992	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Joyce	Snookes
Sept.	30 Chester City MC1 (1st Leg)	3-0	2,665	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	3 Bradford City	2-0	3,324	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Berry
	6 Gillingham	0-2	3,087	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Berry
	10 Walsall	8-1	4,375	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	14 Chester City MC1 (2nd Leg)	0-3	1,502	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Saunders
	16 Scunthorpe United	0-1	4,406	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Saunders
	24 Rotherham United	2-0	5,592	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Saunders
	27 Burnley	0-0	9,709	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Berry
Oct.	1 Bristol Rovers	1-2	5,651	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Berry
	8 Exeter City	2-2	3,478	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Berry
	15 Newport County	2-3	4,928	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	18 Hull City	0-0	6,397	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	22 Port Vale	2-1	4,269	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	29 Southend United	2-0	5,366	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
Nov.	2 Lincoln City	0-0	3,988	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	5 Orient	3-2	5,859	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	12 Plymouth Argyle	0-2	4,624	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	19 Tranmere Rovers FAC1	2-2	5,497	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	22 Tranmere Rovers FAC 1R	4-1	6,305	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	26 AFC Bournemouth	2-2	3,941	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	3 Brentford	1-0	5,416	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	10 Mansfield Town FAC2	2-0	6,434	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	17 Preston North End	2-2	6,275	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	26 Wigan Athletic	1-0	10,045	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	27 Oxford United	1-0	11,059	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
	31 Sheffield United	0-5	14,252	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell	Redfean	Foster
1984															
Jan.	2 Millwall	2-0	7,054	Farnworth	Berry	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
	7 Sunderland FA 3	0-3	14,018	Farnworth	Berry	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Caldwell
	14 Wimbledon	0-4	2,955	Farnworth	Berry	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
	21 Scunthorpe United	0-0	5,379	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
	28 Walsall	0-1	7,812	Farnworth	Berry	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
Feb.	4 Bristol Rovers	3-0	5,399	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
	6 Southend United	1-0	1,594	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
	11 Rotherham United	1-1	5,043	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
	14 Lincoln City	0-2	5,450	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
	21 Burnley (AMC)	1-2	3,355	Platt	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
	25 Port Vale	2-0	5,818	Platt	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
Mar.	3 Hull City	1-1	6,869	Platt	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
	6 Orient	1-2	2,449	Platt	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
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BRADFORD CITY
 Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

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CANON LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

(UP TO AND INCLUDING WEDNESDAY 14TH MARCH 1984)

	HOME			AWAY			GOALS		Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	
Oxford United	33	12	3	1	41	18	25	23	66
Wimbledon	34	12	5	1	51	27	26	34	61
Walsall	34	11	3	3	35	16	20	29	61
Sheffield Utd.	34	10	6	1	42	13	7	24	60
Bristol Rovers	34	13	3	1	36	12	8	16	59
Hull City	31	10	3	2	28	10	3	19	56
Orient	34	11	3	4	28	18	4	22	52
Bolton Wanderers	33	10	4	2	30	10	8	14	51
Gillingham	31	10	2	4	38	21	5	15	51
Burnley	32	11	2	2	44	11	6	19	50
Lincoln City	35	10	3	4	36	20	10	12	49
Bradford City	31	7	7	2	37	24	7	19	48
Millwall	34	12	3	2	29	15	8	22	48
Newport County	32	8	7	2	27	21	4	18	47
Preston N.E.	33	8	4	5	31	21	9	19	41
Wigan Athletic	31	7	3	5	18	13	6	15	39
Plymouth Argyle	30	7	7	1	26	10	1	12	35
AFC Bournemouth	32	8	3	5	26	18	2	13	32
Brentford	33	3	7	5	22	23	3	10	30
Southend United	32	5	7	4	23	16	3	12	28
Port Vale	33	7	3	7	24	22	3	13	27
Rotherham United	30	4	4	7	13	15	1	11	26
Scunthorpe United	31	4	7	4	24	26	7	11	26
Exeter City	33	3	4	10	19	30	5	21	24

CENTRAL LEAGUE FIXTURES

Date	Opponents	Goals F A
1983		
Aug.	31 Burnley	4-0
Sept.	7 Newcastle Utd.	0-2
	14 Derby County	0-6
	20 Manchester Utd.	0-2
	28 Sheffield Wed.	1-2
Oct.	4 Liverpool	0-6
	13 Nottingham F.	0-4
	19 Blackburn R.	2-4
	27 Sheffield Utd	1-3
Nov.	9 Aston Villa	0-4
	15 Everton	1-2
	23 Leeds United	2-0
	30 Stoke City	2-2
Dec	21 Newcastle Utd.	2-1
1984		
Jan.	11 Liverpool	1-2
	17 Derby County	1-0
	25 Manchester Utd.	P
	31 Sheffield Wed.	P
Feb.	4 West Brom. A.	1-2
	8 Nottingham F.	2-3
	15 Sunderland	2-1
	22 Blackburn R.	2-1
Mar.	14 Sheffield Utd.	
	20 Burnley	
	28 Everton	
Apr.	2 Leeds United	
	11 Stoke City	
	18 Sunderland	
	25 West Brom. A.	

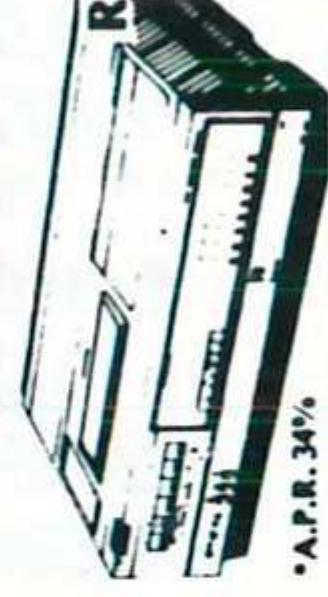


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M50 to Ross on Wye junction with A40 149 miles
A40 by-pass Monmouth to Raglan junction with A449 165 miles
A449 to junction with M4 178 miles
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THIRD DIVISION FACTS AND FIGURES

UP TO AND INCLUDING 10th MARCH 1984

Team	Best Attendance	Average Attendance	Leading Goalscorer
BOLTON W.	11,059 v Oxford	6,129	Caldwell 18
BOURNEMOUTH	7,220 v Newport	4,147	Morgan 13
BRADFORD C.	7,322 v Oxford	3,989	Hawley 18
BRENTFORD	8,042 v Burnley	4,848	Joseph 11
BRISTOL ROV.	7,472 v Sheff. Utd.	5,577	Stephens 9
BURNLEY	12,136 v Bradford C.	7,105	Hamilton 16
EXETER C.	5,310 v Bristol Rov.	3,519	Pratt 12
GILLINGHAM	6,226 v Millwall	4,311	Mehmet 13
HULL CITY	18,461 v Scunthorpe	9,674	Marwood 10
LINCOLN C.	6,686 v Sheff. Utd.	3,623	Jack 9
MILLWALL	6,709 v Burnley	4,715	Bremner 10
NEWPORT CO.	5,154 v Plymouth	3,309	Aldridge 20
OXFORD UTD.	12,748 v Bristol Rov.	7,362	Biggins 12
ORIENT	4,470 v Burnley	3,207	Houchen 9
PLYMOUTH A.	10,387 v Exeter	4,904	Tynan 8
PORT VALE	7,034 v Sheff. Utd.	4,276	O'Keefe 7
PRESTON N.E.	8,745 v Burnley	4,800	Elliott 11
ROTHERHAM U.	6,298 v Hull City	4,420	Kilmore 8
SCUNTHORPE U.	4,406 v Bolton W.	3,008	Cammack 13
SHEFFIELD U.	22,756 v Rotherham	11,825	Edwards 25
SOUTHEND U.	4,272 v Millwall	2,802	Phillips 13
WALSALL	8,156 v Southend	4,956	Brown, O'Kelly 11
WIGAN A.	10,045 v Bolton	4,266	Taylor 7
WIMBLEDON	5,667 v Millwall	3,088	Cork 26

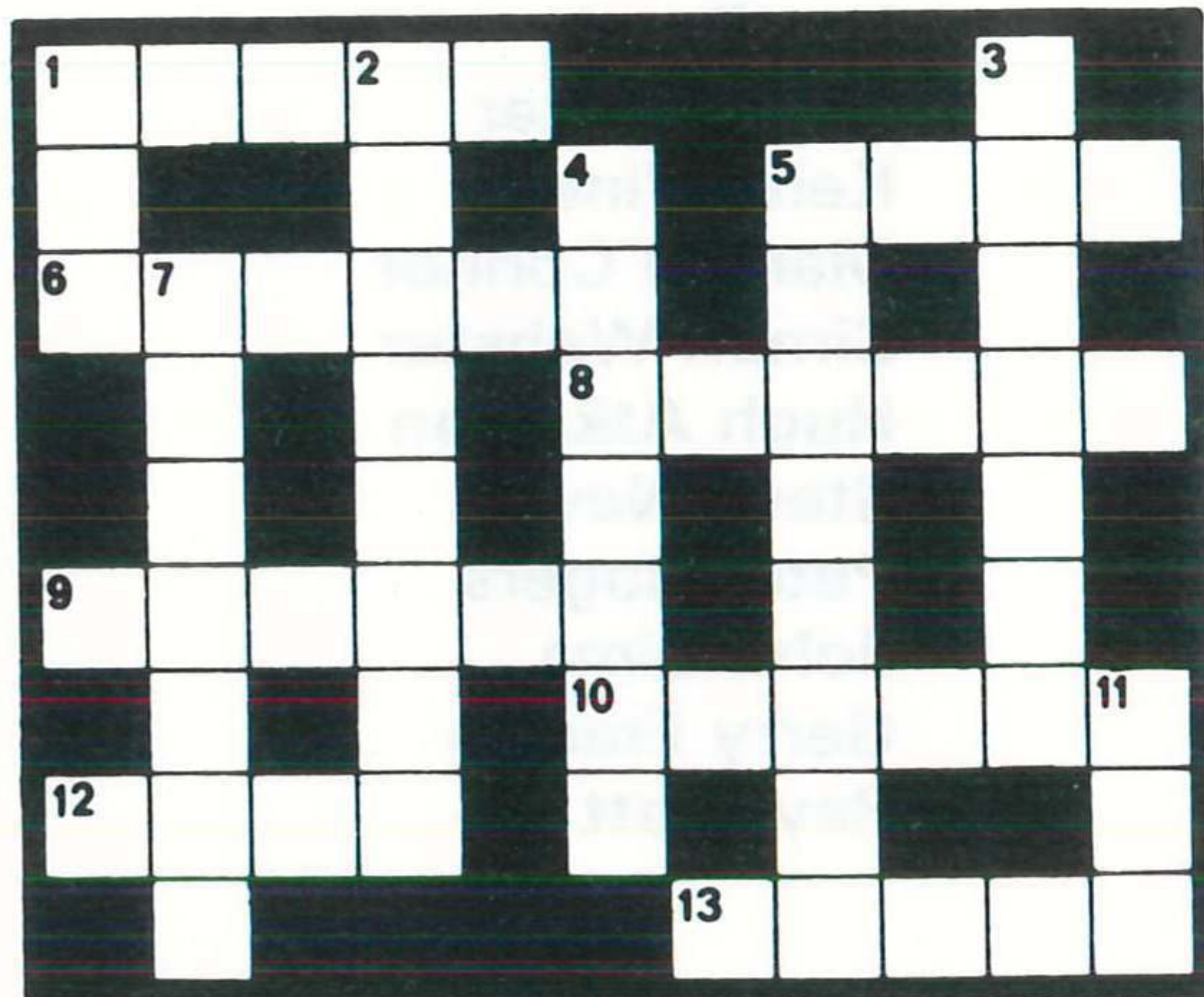
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JOHN McGOVERN	NORTHFIELD CLUB (ROY GREAVES & GLEN TAYLOR)
£150 EACH PLAYER	INCLUDES TOTAL TRAINING KIT

CROSSWORD No. 21

ACROSS

- 1 & 5. Huddersfield's home sounds like a winning way . . . (5,4)
- 6 & 5. . . . whilst Scarborough's sounds like a fast-bowler's route (6,4)
8. Irish striker seen at Stoke in the 1960s or a Scottish midfielder there in the 1970s (6)
9. Works out in the week (6)
10. Old centre-forward whose 400 matches and 250 goals were shared mainly between Blackburn and 4 *down*, his effective first and last club (6)
12. The nickname of Wimbledon (4)
13. — — — Kirkpatrick, former referee (5)



DOWN

1. — — — Cocker, former Leeds and England trainer (3)
2. Town to which teams travel to take on Queen of the South (8)
3. John — — —, stopper-turned-striker, had a nomadic career which began at Tranmere in the 1960s, included a return visit there and concluded with his second spell at Crewe (7)
4. Are they the favourite side of sailors? (7)
5. Brazil's most-capped player (8)
7. Soccer club not uncommon as a first name among West Indian cricket stars! (7)
11. The old Sheffield and England Clegg brothers each earned this title (3)

Answers to No. 20: **ACROSS:** 1. magic, 5. scorer, 7. Lord, 8. Bettany, 10. Grounds, 12. four, 13. Norman, 14 & 1dn. Paddy Mulligan. **DOWN:** 1. See 14 *across*, 2. Gary Moore, 3. Scot, 4. Brian Wood, 6. Roy Barry, 9. End, 11. Neal (Liverpool).

PICK-NICK No. 21

Solve this cryptic clue to a club's nickname and then identify the club:

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Answer to No. 20:
PENSIONERS (CHELSEA)

ANSWERS IN THE NEXT PROGRAMME

Puzzle Page

QUICK QUIZ No. 21

1. Who scored the first-ever penalty in a World Cup final . . . ?
2. . . . and who missed the last one?
3. In which year did Division Four kick off?
4. For which club besides Wrexham did Arfon Griffiths play?
5. Which country has often capped an *Arab* called *Turk*?

Answers to No. 20

1. East Germany, 2. Spurs (1948), 3. 1980/81 (5th), 4. Honduras, 5. All of them.

MIXED DOUBLES No. 21

Re-order the letters in each of the words

HARED and **OWLERY**
to find the names of two men called "Pat"

Answers to No. 20: ARNOTT, DARE

ON THE BALL No. 21

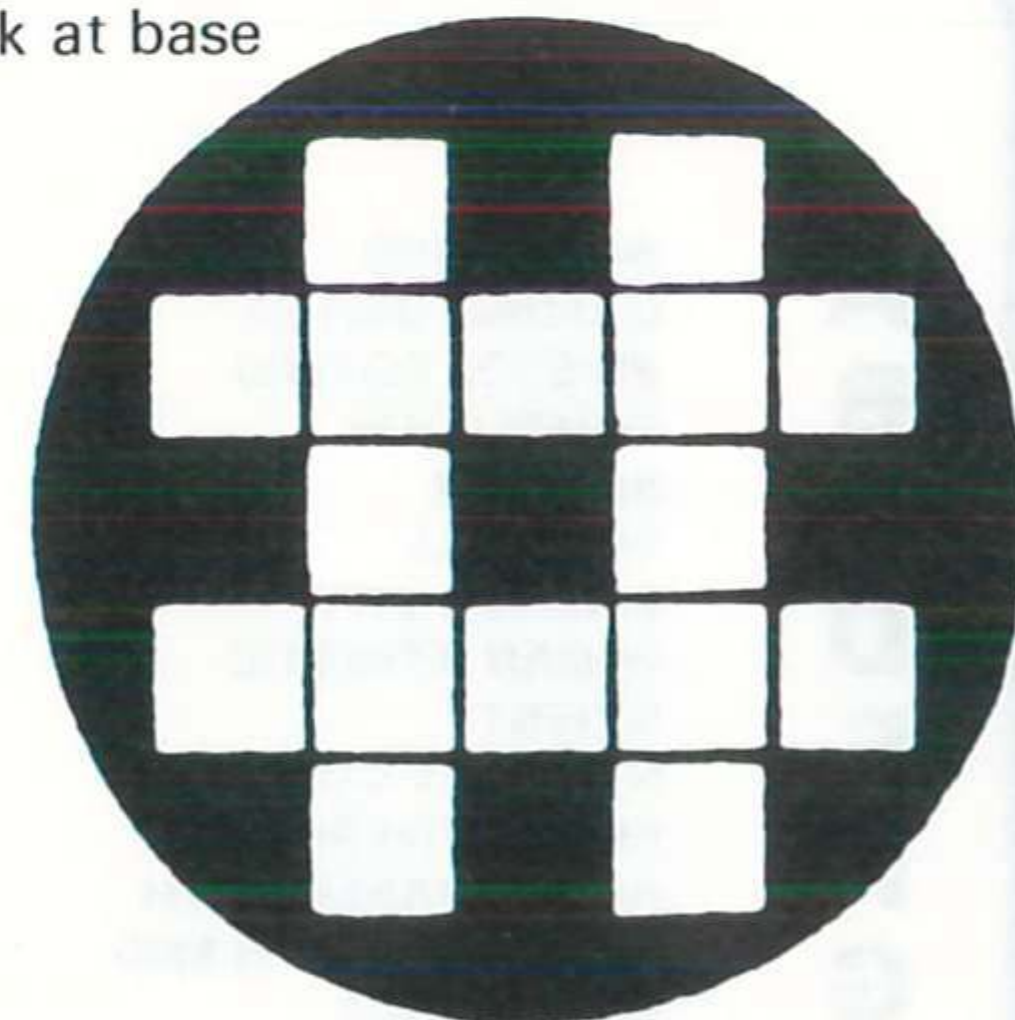
Every answer has five letters and the first one fits into the top line, but you have to decide where the rest must go.

Blackburn's Park

Did Dudley work on the roof?

The results of travel . . .

. . . and successes back at base



Answers to No. 20: LAYER, BILLY, MAGIC, SEALS.

TEAMS

BOLTON WANDERERS

White & Navy Blue

John Platt	1
Brian Borrows	2
Ray Deakin	3
Warren Joyce	4
Gerry McElhinney	5
Peter Valentine	6
Steve Thompson	7
Jeff Chandler	8
Wayne Foster	9
Neil Whatmore	10
Graham Bell	11
	12

EXETER CITY

Blue

Len Bond
Nick Marker
Keith Viney
Mark O'Connor
Simon Webster
Hugh Atkinson
Steve Neville
Peter Rogers
John Sims
Gerry Francis
Ray Pratt



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DUNLOP SPORT

TODAY'S REFEREE:

COLIN N. SEEL. Started refereeing in 1961 and from local leagues progressed via Northern Regional, Northern Floodlit, Central and Irish Leagues to the Football League List. Has refereed a number of important League matches, and officiated in three F.A. Cup Semi-Finals and an Amateur Cup Final at Wembley as well as Anglo-Italian and Fairs Cup matches in Italy and Spain. Refereed 1979 Challenge Vase Final.

He is married, with two daughters, and works as a Composer. Keen on gardening, do-it-yourself, and enjoys all sports, and has a particular interest in youth club football. Serves on several local football and refereeing committees, and is a local hospital broadcaster.



LINESMEN:

S. T. MARTIN (Huddersfield) Red Flag
G. WHITFIELD (Wakefield) Yellow Flag

HALFTIME SCOREBOARD

A	BRENTFORD	I	SHEFFIELD UNITED	Q	STOKE CITY
B	OXFORD UNITED	J	HULL CITY	R	BIRMINGHAM CITY
C	BRISTOL ROVERS	K	WALSALL	S	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR
D	WIMBLEDON	L	ROTHERHAM UNITED	T	WEST BROMWICH ALBION
E	BURNLEY	M	ASTON VILLA	U	WATFORD
F	MILLWALL	N	NOTTINGHAM FOREST	V	QUEENS PARK RANGERS
G	LINCOLN CITY	O	EVERTON	W	WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS
H	WIGAN ATHLETIC	P	IPSWICH TOWN	X	SUNDERLAND
	ORIENT		LEICESTER CITY		FULHAM
	NEWPORT COUNTY		WEST HAM UNITED		MANCHESTER CITY
	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE		MANCHESTER UNITED		OLDHAM ATHLETIC
	AFC BOURNEMOUTH		ARSENAL		SWANSEA CITY
	PRESTON NORTH END		NORWICH CITY		MANSFIELD TOWN
	GILLINGHAM		LUTON TOWN		BURY
	SCUNTHORPE UNITED		NOTTS COUNTY		ROCHDALE
	BRADFORD CITY		COVENTRY CITY		BLACKPOOL